

**MINUTES OF THE PEORIA CITY COUNCIL**  
CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER  
March 30, 2022

A **Study Session** of the City Council of the City of Peoria, Arizona was convened at 8401 West Monroe Street in open and public session at 5:00 p.m.

**Members Present:** Mayor Cathy Carlat; Vice Mayor Bill Patena; Councilmembers Bridget Binsbacher, Denette Dunn, Michael Finn, and Vicki Hunt.

**Other Municipal Officials Present:** Jeff Tyne, City Manager; Andy Granger, Deputy City Manager; Katie Gregory, Deputy City Manager; Erik Strunk, Deputy City Manager; Vanessa Hickman, City Attorney; Lori Dyckman, Acting City Clerk; Thomas Adkins, Intergovernmental Affairs Director; Robert Brewster, Deputy Fire Chief; Kevin Burke, Finance Director; Chris Calcaterra, Parks, Recreation, and Community Facilities Director; Kris Dalmolin, Information Technology Director; Jay Davies, Public Works Director; Tim Eiden, Marketing Communications Manager; Chris Hallett, Neighborhood and Human Services Director; Chris Jacques, Planning and Community Development Director; Adina Lund, Development and Engineering Director; Art Miller, Police Chief; Christine Nickel, Human Resources Director; Cape Powers, Water Services Director; Jennifer Stein, Economic Development Director and Sharon Roberson, Assistant to the City Manager.

**Audience:** Approximately two members of the public were present.

**Note:** The order in which items appear in the minutes is not necessarily the order in which they were discussed in the meeting.

## **STUDY SESSION AGENDA**

### **Subject(s) for Discussion Only**

1. Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Study Session

Jeff Tyne, City Manager, introduced the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget and presented regarding the following:

- Peoria's approach to budget discussions
- Addressing pent up demand for services
- Commitment to Livability Initiatives
- Study session agenda

Peter Christensen, Deputy Finance Director, presented regarding the City Council's budget policy items and the budget process. Information included:

- Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Overview
- Updated forecast for five-year General Fund

- Reason for caution
- Review of General Fund revenue sources
- Recommended Fiscal Year 2023 budget
- Budget inclusions
- Authorized personnel by function
- General Fund operating expenditures
- Other sources of revenue

Discussion ensued regarding the use of Highway User Revenue Funds (HURF) and extent of revenue supplied by Arizona Lottery funds.

Andy Granger, Deputy City Manager, presented on the Administrative Departments Fiscal Year 2023 budget. Information included:

- Staffing, budget, and source of funding
- Highlights, including:
  - AAA bond rating from Moody's
  - Redistricting under compressed timeline
  - Successful MOU negotiations
- Notable budget items, including:
  - New positions
  - Partnering with the Super Bowl Host Committee

Mayor Carlat thanked the Administrative departments for their quick adaption to change during the Covid pandemic and being able to weather changes effectively.

Discussion ensued regarding the savings on interest with the increased bond rating.

Katie Gregory, Deputy City Manager, presented on the Leadership and Management Department Fiscal Year 2023 budget. Information included:

- Highlights, including:
  - Receiving \$8.7 million from the State of Arizona for drainage project
  - All top transit and transportation projects included in Prop 400.
- Staffing, budget, and source of funding
- Notable budget items, including:
  - State and federal services
  - Professional services for land development
  - Council Assistant and Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison
  - Internships

Discussion ensued regarding:

- State land entitlements and the necessary positions to support this process
- New partnership for Pop-Up Peoria

Erik Strunk, Deputy City Manager, presented on the Arts, Culture and Library Services Department Fiscal Year 2023 budget. Information included:

- Highlights, including:
  - Newly created Arts, Culture and Library Service Department
- Staffing, budget, and source of funding
- Notable budget items, including:
  - Special Events
  - Library Technician
  - Public arts programming and grants

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Extent of Library Outreach services
- Utility box art wrap costs

Mr. Strunk continued presenting on the Parks and Recreation Department Fiscal Year 2023 budget. Information included:

- Staffing, budget, and source of funding
- Notable budget items, including:
  - Park Ranger Position
  - Sports Complex and Rio Vista Irrigation
  - New Maintenance Equipment
  - Park Landscape Improvements

Discussion ensued regarding the length of accreditation.

Mr. Strunk continued presenting on the Neighborhood and Human Services Department Fiscal Year 2023 budget. Information included:

- Staffing, budget, and source of funding
- Notable budget items, including:
  - Community Engagement Coordinator
  - Contract Employees
  - Enhanced Community Engagement
  - Neighborhood Grant Funding
  - Abandoned Property Cleanup and Storage
  - Housing Needs Assessment

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Community engagement coordinator
- Cleanup and storage for homeless encampments

Mr. Strunk continued presenting on the Public Works Department Fiscal Year 2023 budget. Information included:

- Staffing, budget, and source of funding
- Notable budget items, including:
  - New Positions
  - Street Maintenance Equipment
  - Sunday Route #106 Service
  - Reduction of Processing Fees

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Investment in commercial solid waste containers
- Solid waste equipment operator CDL classifications
- Green waste pilot program discontinuation

7:05 p.m. Mayor Carlat recessed the meeting and resumed the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Cape Powers, Water Services Director, presenting on the Water Services Department Fiscal Year 2023 budget. Information included:

- Staffing, budget, and source of funding
- Water Services Challenges
- Peoria's Water Services Portfolio
- Notable budget items, including:
  - New Positions
  - Contract Employees
  - Dump Trucks
  - Electricity and Water Cost Increase
  - Water Conservation Rebates

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Water conservation rebate outreach efforts
- Importance of water services for future growth
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) club presentation and community liaison group

Andy Granger, Deputy City Manager, presented on the Public Safety Departments Fiscal Year 2023 budget. Information for the Police Department Included:

- Staffing, budget, and source of funding
- Notable budget items, including:
  - Command Vehicle
  - Police Department Overtime
  - Equipment
  - Technology
  - Unit Vehicles

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Vehicle spare inventory
- Forecasting for future growth
- Command vehicle vs. SWAT vehicle
- Resources necessary to support Peoria's safety

Andy Granger continued, presented on the Fire-Medical Departments Fiscal Year 2023 budget. Information included:

- Staffing, budget, and source of funding
- Notable budget items, including:
  - Medical Billing Specialists Position
  - Extrication Equipment
  - Increase Training, Equipment and Supplies Budget
  - Medical Response Unit

Discussion ensued regarding the immediate need for the Medical Response Unit and time required to implement.

Peter Christensen, Deputy Finance Director, presented the multi-year Capital Improvement Program by funding source for Fiscal Year 2023.

Adina Lund, Development and Engineering Director presented on the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) for Fiscal Year 2023. Information included:

- Fiscal Year 2022 accomplishments
- Jomax Road and Loop 303 to Vistancia Boulevard
- Country Meadows Park Improvements
- Landscape enhancements
- New River Trail
- Olive Avenue and 85<sup>th</sup> Avenue traffic signal
- Main Library renovation
- Pyramid Peak Water Treatment expansion

- Rio Vista Inclusive Playground
- Community Works Program
- Various pavement preservation and rehabilitation projects
- Streetlight pole enhancements

Discussion ensued regarding pavement conditions at Paloma Park.

Ms. Lund continued presenting on the projects under construction. Information included:

- Reclaimed Water Project 1
- Jomax Water Reclamation Facility Operations building
- Fire Station #5 Renovations
- Beardsley Water Reclamation Facility expansion
- Jomax Booster Station upgrade and Terramar Booster Pump station rehabilitation
- Neighborhood Parks refresh, courts and playground programs
- Pavement preservation, rehabilitation, reconstruction and ADA sidewalk ramp improvements

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Traffic issues on Northern and Olive Avenues and ways to mitigated until improvements are scheduled

Ms. Lund continued presenting on the projects in design. Information included:

- 67<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Pinnacle Peak to Happy Valley
- Old Town streetscapes
- 107<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Williams Road to Hatfield Road
- Northern Parkway
- Paloma Community Park phase 2
- Fleet Shop Replacement
- Jomax Water Reclamation Facility expansion

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Fleet Shop replacement and effects on vehicle service
- Old Town Streetscape and placemaking phases 1 and 2 funding
- Construction on 107<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Williams Road to Hatfield Road
- Community parks rehabilitation timeline

Ms. Lund continued presenting on the new projects in the 10-Year Capital Improvement Project. Information included:

- Fire Station #9 replacement station
- Fire Station #10
- Tactical range with evidence facility
- Central Arizona Project and Lake Pleasant Parkway reservoir and booster pump station
- Peoria Sports Complex auxiliary field and parking improvements
- Sports complex maintenance building
- Intelligent transportation system advanced technology
- Traffic signal updates

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Location of land for new tactical range and evidence facility
- Location for Fire Station #9 at Lake Pleasant

Mr. Christensen presented on the Fiscal Year 23 projects effected by the delay of the bond repurposing election. Information included:

- Airnasium at neighborhood parks
- Parks refresh program
- Pioneer Community Park rehabilitation and replacements
- Park court renovations
- New River Trail pedestrian and shade program
- Stadium Trail Phases 1 and 2

Mr. Christensen summarized with the formal budget adoption process timeline.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was duly adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

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Cathy Carlat, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct summary of the proceedings of the City Council Meetings of the City Council of Peoria, Arizona held on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

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Lori Dyckman, Acting City Clerk